Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The state of South Dakota is the home of Donald D. Hanson, and we are richer because Don lives among us; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, Don was born on August 30, 1933, in Bemis, South Dakota, to Roy and Edna Hanson. In 1952, he graduated from Clear Lake High School, in Clear Lake, South Dakota. Don joined the Navy and served his country during the end of the Korean War, in Nova Scotia, from 1953 to 1957; and,

Whereas, Don married Maxine Krause on August 31, 1958, and to this union 10 children were born: Julie, Jane, Daniel, Dawn, Kurt, Kent, Roy, Rodney, Royal, and Steven. Don and Maxine shared 15 happy years together until Maxine passed away in 1973. Don married Janice Begalka Brandsrud on December 11, 1974, in Clear Lake, South Dakota, uniting two families, including Janice's 3 children: Greg, Douglas, and Donna. Together, Don and Janice were further blessed with 33 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Don started Don's Woodworking in 1958, owned and operated H&R Lumber from 1967 to 1978, was a founding partner in Mobile Concrete in Clear Lake and Castlewood, earned his license to fly and opened a charter business, sold insurance for Thrivent, and built cabinets and remodeled many homes and businesses in the Clear Lake area. Don served as Deuel County Commissioner for 12 years, as well as Deuel County Planning and Zoning Director for 5 years; and,

Whereas, Don will observe his 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his friends and relatives gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim August 30, 2013, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State